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(TL:VISA-488; 11-07-2002)

### **RECIPROCITY**

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Class	Fee	No. Applications	Validity
A-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
A-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
A-3 [1]	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
B-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
B-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
B-1/B-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
C-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
C-1/D	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
C-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
C-3	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
D	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
E-1 [2]	NO TREATY	N/A	N/A
E-2 [2]	NO TREATY	N/A	N/A
F-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
F-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
G-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
G-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
G-3	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
G-4	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
G-5 [1]	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
H-1B	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
H-1C	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
H-2A	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
H-2B	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
H-3	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
H-4	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
I	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
J-1 [4]	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
J-2 [4]	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
K-1	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
K-2	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
K-3	NONE	ONE	24 MONTHS
K-4	NONE	ONE	24 MONTHS
L-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
L-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
M-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
M-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
N-8	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
N-9	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
NATO 1-7	N/A	N/A	N/A
0-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]

0-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
O-3	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
P-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
P-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
P-3	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
P-4	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
Q-1 [6]	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
R-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
R-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
S-5 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
S-6 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
S-7 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
T-1 [9]	N/A	N/A	N/A
T-2	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
T-3	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
T-4	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
TD [5]	N/A	N/A	N/A
V-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
V-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [8]
V-3	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [8]

# SPECIAL CLEARANCE AND ISSUANCE PROCEDURES

#### Nonofficial Travel

(TL:VISA-287; 05-30-2001)

None.

#### **Official Travel**

## "VISAS BEAR" Security Advisory Opinion Requests

(TL:VISA-222; 12-04-2000)

The United States does not consider any government to exist in Somalia and does not issue official or diplomatic visas to Somali nationals. The case of any Somali claiming official status, and applying for a(n) A, C-3 or G (except G-4) visa, must be submitted to the Department for an advisory opinion by means of a Visas Bear telegram. Such telegrams must be slugged for CA/VO/L/A, AF/E, and IO/UNP. Once a "VISAS BEAR" advisory opinion has been requested, the Department's response is required prior to visa issuance.

#### DOCUMENTS AND RECORDS

(TL:VISA-134; 02-16-1996)

Unavailable. There is no competent civil authority in Somalia. The Government of Somalia ceased to exist in December of 1990. Since that time, the country has undergone a destructive and brutal civil war, in the course of which most records were destroyed. Those few records not destroyed are in the hands of private individuals or are, otherwise, not retrievable. There are no police records, birth certificates, school records etc., available from Somalia. There are no circumstances under which immigrant visa applicants can reasonably be expected to recover original documents held by the former Government of Somalia.

#### **Passports: Information on Travel Documents**

(TL:VISA-134; 02-16-1996)

The Department has determined that Somali passports are no longer valid for visa-issuance purposes. Most immigrant visa beneficiaries will not require a passport. Somali nonimmigrant visa beneficiaries will require a passport waiver.

#### VISA ISSUING POST

(TL:VISA-222; 12-04-2000)

Mogadishu (E) None

IV and NIV cases for nationals of Somalia are processed by the following U.S. consular offices:

Nairobi Kenya Dar es Salaam Tanzania Djibouti Djibouti